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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	16334	Agenda Number	142.
Meeting Date:	6/28/2012		Department:	Watershed Protection
Subject				
<p>Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance for floodplain variances requested by Mr. Adam Koransky of Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., on behalf of the owner, the City of Austin Public Works Department, to develop the Boardwalk Trail at Lady Bird Lake with associated improvements, which is in the 25-year and 100-year floodplains of Lady Bird Lake of the Colorado River.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
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Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				

Additional Backup Information

The City of Austin Public Works Department proposes to develop the Boardwalk Trail at Lady Bird Lake that will be located on the south shore of the lake or within the lake itself from Congress Avenue to Lakeshore Park for a total distance of 7,000 feet. The trail will be located on many different properties consisting of City property, right-of-way, and private property. The portion of the trail on land will be constructed per the typical standard trail while the portion over the water will be constructed on an elevated concrete and steel structure. The development will also include one restroom and multiple shade structures along the trail. The development is within the 25-year and 100-year floodplains of Lady Bird Lake of the Colorado River and is the subject of site plan application number SPC-2011-0327C.

The applicant seeks variances to the City of Austin's floodplain management regulations to obtain a site development permit to: 1) construct the trail in a manner that causes adverse flooding impacts to other properties; and 2) allow the applicant to seek a variance to the floodplain regulations without first obtaining a conditional letter of map revision from FEMA.

